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<b><i>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</i></b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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Date of Interview: 23 January 2012.

Type:    ☒ Telephonic    ☐ Video Conference  
           ☐ Personal [copy given to: ☐ applicant    ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted:    ☐ Yes    ☒ No.  
     If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_.

Issues Discussed    ☐101    ☐112    ☐102    ☐103    ☐Others  
 (For each of the checked box(es) above, please describe below the issue and detailed description of the discussion)

Claim(s) discussed: 15.

Identification of prior art discussed: NONE.

**Substance of Interview**  
 (For each issue discussed, provide a detailed description and indicate if agreement was reached. Some topics may include: identification or clarification of a reference or a portion thereof, claim interpretation, proposed amendments, arguments of any applied references etc...)

A phone call was made to Appl. Rep. to propose an Examiner's Amendment that would put claim 15 (and dependent claims 16-17) into condition for allowance. The amendment included (i) changing the preamble of claim 15 to recite "a method of generating a chromosome population", (ii) deleting the last step of claim 15 (selecting a classifier), and (iii) clarifying the "updating" step of claim 15 (what is being updated?). Applicant's rep. declined such amendments. The Examiner stated that the case would be reopened if the Exam. Amendments were not accepted. The undersigned expressed a desire to have the case reopened.

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/Pablo S. Whaley/ Examiner, Art Unit 1631	
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